

# Professional Data Analyst Course Outline



Our 20 Week **Professional Data Analyst** program is designed to deepen your skills and expertise. Each module combines theory with hands-on practice, covering advanced topics and industry-relevant tools. You will gain practical experience through real-world datasets and integrate your learning into a final project, preparing you for success in the data analytics field. This program is ideal for those looking to master data analysis and advance their careers.





## Module 1: Foundations of Data Analysis

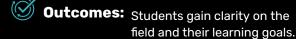
- **Duration:** 1 week
- **Objective:** Build a strong foundational

understanding of data

analytics.



- Intro to the data analytics lifecycle: Collection, cleaning, analysis, and reporting.
- Types of data: Structured, semistructured, and unstructured.
- Overview of tools and technologies:
   Python, Excel, SQL, Tableau, and Power
- Case studies of real-world data analytics applications.





#### Module 2 : Statistics for Aspiring Data Analysts

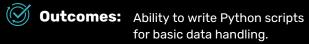
- **Duration:** 3 weeks
- Objective: Equip aspiring data analysts with a solid foundation in statistical concepts, methods, and tools to effectively collect, analyze, and interpret data.
- Topics:
  - Introduction to statistics
  - Data collection and sampling
  - Data visualization and descriptive statistics
  - Probability and distributions
  - Hypothesis testing and inferential statistics
  - Correlation and regression analysis
- Outcomes: By the end of this course, participants will confidently apply statistical techniques to analyze data, draw insights, and support data-

driven decision-making



#### Module 3: Introduction to Python Programming

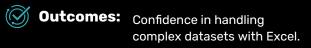
- **Duration:** 3 weeks
- **Objective:** Learn Python fundamentals for data analysis.
- Topics:
  - Python installation and environment setup (Anaconda, Jupyter Notebook).
  - Python basics: Variables, data types, and operators.
  - Control structures: Loops (for, while) and conditional statements (if-else).
  - Functions: Writing reusable code.
  - Working with files: Reading and writing CSV/Excel files.
  - Introduction to Python libraries for data: pandas and numpy.





#### Module 4: Advanced Excel for Data Analysis

- **Duration:** 2 weeks
- Objective: Master Excel for cleaning, analyzing, and visualizing data.
- Topics:
  - Advanced functions: VL00KUP, HL00KUP, and conditional formatting.
  - Data cleaning: Removing duplicates, handling blanks, and splitting data.
  - PivotTables and PivotCharts for summarization and visualization.
  - Power Query for data transformation.





# Module 5: MySQL for Database Management

**Duration:** 2 weeks

Objective: Learn SQL for querying and

managing databases.

#### **Topics:**

- Relational database fundamentals.
- Writing basic SQL queries: SELECT, WHERE, GROUP BY, ORDER BY.
- Advanced SQL: JOINS, subqueries, and CTEs.
- Database design and normalization.
- Practical exercises with MySQL Workbench.





#### Module 6: Python for Data Cleaning and Analysis

**Duration:** 2 weeks

**Objective:** Use Python libraries for data

analysis.

#### Topics:

• Pandas: Data manipulation techniques.

cleaning and exploratory

- Handling missing data and outliers.
- Data aggregation and grouping, and EDA
- Visualizing data with matplotlib and seaborn.
- Automating repetitive tasks with Python scripts.

Outcomes: Proficiency in cleaning and

analyzing data programmatically.



## Module 7: Data Visualization with Power BI

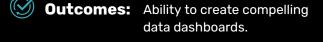
**Duration:** 3 weeks

**Objective:** Master Power BI for storytelling

with data.

#### **Topics:**

- Power BI basics: Connecting to data and creating visuals.
- Designing charts: Bar graphs, scatter plots, maps.
- Creating dashboards and applying filters.
- Storytelling with Power BI dashboards.
- Advanced techniques: Parameters and calculated fields.





## Module 8: Advanced Topics in Data Analytics

**Duration:** 2 weeks

**Objective:** Ability to create compelling

data dashboards.

#### **Topics:**

- Combining tools: Integrating Excel, SQL, and Python workflows.
- Handling large datasets and optimizing performance.
- Data ethics and compliance (e.g., GDPR).
- Predictive analytics basics: Introduction to machine learning.

Outcomes: Understanding of advanced analytics and ethical

practices.





### **Assessment and Certification**



#### **Weeky Assessments**

Quizzes, assignments, and mini-projects.

#### **Mid-Course Evaluation**

Hands-on assessments in Python and SQL





#### Final Evaluation

Capstone project grading (analysis, visualization, presentation).

#### Certification

IoA-Endorsed Certificate or equivalent upon successful completion.



This 16-week program ensures a gradual build-up of skills, with ample time for practice and mastery.











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